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Group Art Unit: 1644

Examiner: Nolan, Patrick, Ph.D.

NOTICE OF APPEAL

Sir:

Applicant hereby appeals from the Examiner's Action of December 9, 1999, making final the rejection of claims 38-47, all the claims presently under consideration in this application.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136, applicant hereby petitions for a three-month extension of time to take action in response to the Final Office Action mailed December 9, 1999. This extension of time is effective to allow timely filing of a response up to and including June 9, 2000.

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